REGIONAL SNAPSH

As the state's chief financial officer, I am charged with monitoring the economic health of our state. Therefore, it's vitally important that my office studies factors related to our regional economies.

The 19 counties comprising the Alamo Region have helped boost Texas' remarkable growth and resiliency over the past 10 years.

Below, we track regional trends in population growth, personal income, jobs and wages, education and water — a wildcard issue that, if left unaddressed, could curtail continued economic expansion.

-GLENN HEGAR



city in the United States.

ALAMO REGION COUNTIES:

ATASCOSA BANDERA BEXAR CALHOUN COMAL DEWITT

FRIO GILLESPIE GOLIAD **GONZALES** GUADALUPE JACKSON KARNES KENDALL

LAVACA MEDINA VICTORIA WILSON

KEY INDUSTRIES 2016:

- DATA PROCESSING. HOSTING, AND RELATED SERVICES
- SYNTHETIC RUBBER MANUFACTURING
- MOTOR VEHICLE MANUFACTURING
- OIL AND GAS EXTRACTION
- SUPPORT ACTIVITIES FOR MINING
- AEROSPACE PRODUCT AND PARTS MANUFACTURING
- SUBSCRIPTION **PROGRAMMING**
- MEDICAL AND DIAGNOSTIC LABORATORIES
- COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT RENTAL AND LEASING
- FEDERAL GOVERNMENT (MILITARY)
- INSURANCE CARRIERS
- DEPOSITORY CREDIT INTERMEDIATION

POPULATION GROWTH

2004-2014 23% **REGION** U.S. **TEXAS**

ALAMO REGION VS. TEXAS AND U.S.

Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis and Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts

THE **ALAMO REGION** ACCOUNTED FOR

OF ALL NET **MIGRATION TO** TEXAS IN 2014...

> ...AND IT ACCOUNTS FOR 10% OF THE TOTAL TEXAS POPULATION.

PERSONAL INCOME

Personal income in the Alamo Region rose from \$63 billion in 2004 to nearly \$110 billion in 2014. It accounted for 9 percent of the state's \$1.23 trillion of personal income in 2014.

The Alamo Region's per capita

lagged behind the Texas average, largely due to its faster growth in the non-working-

age population.



and Visitors Bureau

COUNTY	2014 PER CAPITA INCOME	10-YR PER CAPITA INCOME GROWTH
Kendall	\$65,960	66%
Gillespie	\$51,224	59%
Comal	\$49,626	51%
DeWitt	\$47,470	109%
Victoria	\$47,419	57%
Kerr	\$44,059	43%
Lavaca	\$43,525	67%
Gonzales	\$41,629	65%
Bandera	\$40,868	48%
Bexar	\$40,857	37%
Karnes	\$40,545	124%
Jackson	\$40,467	60%
Goliad	\$40,243	63%
Wilson	\$39,301	54%
Calhoun	\$39,013	72%
Guadalupe	\$38,439	41%
Atascosa	\$37,172	73%
Medina	\$35,478	54%
Frio	\$35,084	107%

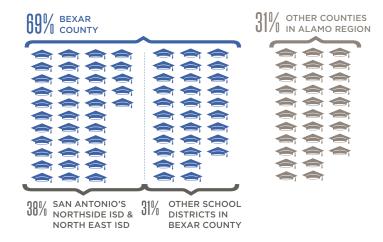
PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME GROWTH 2004-2014

REGION TEXAS

Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis and Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts

In 2014, Texas wages were \$7,700 (or 17 percent) higher than the Alamo Region average. Nearly three-quarters of the region's total job growth occurred in Bexar County. SAN ANTONIO PRODUCES ALL TOYOTA TUNDRAS SOLD IN THE U.S. A NEW TRUCK ROLLS OUT EVERY 61 SECONDS. Source: Fort Worth Business Press Source: Economic Modeling Specialists Intl. and Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts

EDUCATION ALAMO REGION PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES, 2014



Bexar County produced 69 percent of the Alamo Region's public high school graduates in 2014.

Northside ISD and North East ISD, both in Bexar County, accounted for more than a third of all Alamo Region graduates.

Source: Texas Education Agency and Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts

WATFR

Although Alamo Region had more water than it needed in 2010, it is projected to face water shortages by 2020. This fact could hinder economic and demographic growth; shortages are projected to grow through 2060, when the region is expected to need 22 percent more water than it will have available.

To address these challenges, areas like Bexar County strive to curb consumption through comprehensive water conservation strategies. San Antonio has reduced its per

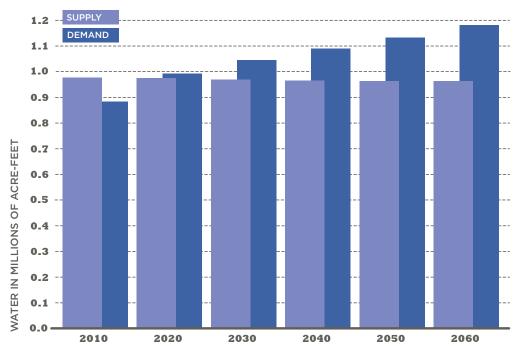
capita water consumption
by 40 percent over the
past 30 years, despite
having one of the
fastest growing
populations in the
country.

THE KERRVILLE
FOLK FESTIVAL RUN:
24 HOURS A DAY FOI
18 DAYS AND ATTRACT
30,000 GUESTS

Source: San Antonio Water System

Source: Kerrville Folk Festival Website

PROJECTED WATER SUPPLY VS. DEMAND 2010-2060



Source: Texas Water Development Board and Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts

CONCLUSION

The Alamo Region is one of Texas' fastest-growing and most vibrant regions. It rolls from the Hill Country to the coast, encompassing both the nation's seventh largest city and rural counties known for their wildflowers, tourist attractions and burgeoning wineries. No wonder the region accounted for a substantial portion of the state's net migration in 2014.

Population growth has not come without a price, however. Rapid expansion has dampened per capita income growth, and wages lag behind state averages. The region also must continue securing water supplies to match the needs of its populace and industry — a process already underway with implementation of some of the state's most progressive management policies.

Overall, the region has reaped the benefits of a strong economy while maintaining a heritage that, from dining to architecture to music and beyond, has played a major role in shaping Texas' character.

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To see a complete list of these regions, plus more in-depth county-by-county data, visit: